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Prior to intial examination, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please delete the present title and replace it with the following new title:

NASAL MASK CUSHION ASSEMBLY

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification at page 1, line 1 by inserting the following new paragraph

-CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 09/566,806, filed May 8, 2000 which claims priority from U.S. Application No.08/791,212, filed January 31, 1997 (now U.S. Pat. No. 6,112,746), the specifications of which are incorporated herein by reference.